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- **Program Assessment:** Meeting the Educational Needs of Our Forces (Feb 1-28)



In February, **COL (ret.) Tomasovic**, Director, **LDESP***, conducted an assessment of the effectiveness of NPS education delivered to U.S. units stationed in Iraq-the 1ID, 42 ID, 256 BCT, and 116 BCT. He is the first NPS instructor to work directly with former students in Iraq. New insights gained will be incorporated into upcoming LDESP programs. According to Tomasovic, "...we are adding value to the Iraqi efforts to stabilize and reconstruct their country".

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>> Homeland Security

- **Seminars (for New Governors):** The Center for Homeland Defense and Security held a 1-day

Dean's Corner:

>> Iraq:

- **COL (Ret.) Tomasovic**, Director, **LDESP***, was in Iraq recently to observe first-hand the effectiveness of our education and training assistance to U.S. forces. See article at left column.

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>> Visitor:

- **LTG Steve Blum**, Chief, National Guard Bureau, visited NPS, February 14-15, to kickoff the U.S.-Jordan State Partnership Program. LTG Blum gave the opening remarks and noted the close relationship between the Colorado National Guard and the Jordanian government. The event was attended by **MG Whitney**, Colorado's Adjutant General, **BG Abbadi**, Jordanian Defense Attaché, and reps from DoD, the State Dept., Congress, CENTCOM, Embassy of Jordan, and others. *Read more at page 2.*

>> What's New?

- **Homeland Defense and Security**
It's official! In January, the Chief of Naval Personnel approved the establishment of a Homeland Defense and Security subspecialty code for Navy officers. The NPS MA program is the first in the nation and supports SecDef's Global War on Terrorism goals.
- **DRMI Policy Guidance Council Meeting**
Ryan Henry, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and **VADM Szemborski**, Dir, PA&E, chaired this twice a year meeting to review DRMI curriculum and activities. Mr. Henry discussed the future directions of DoD education centers (such as SIGS) in furthering security cooperation and enhancing SecDef's Global War on Terrorism goals.
- **Media interview**
CAPT Pierce, USN was recently interviewed by the *Government Computer News* about his new book, *War fighting and Disruptive Technologies*. More at: http://www.gcn.com/24_5/interview/35183-1.html

>> USPACOM Visit (March 17-22):

Dean Ord, will travel to USPACOM March 17-22 to meet with new PACOM personnel for discussions about joint activities and projects. They include:

- **VADM Roughead**, Deputy Commander
- **LTG Brown**, CG, USARPAC

workshop for new Governors and their staff in **Oklahoma** (March 4) and **Connecticut** (March 16).

>> U.S.-Jordan State Partnership



The Colorado National Guard and their Jordanian counterparts at NPS on February 15.

- **U.S.-Jordan Conference (Feb 15–17):**

The *LDESP** program hosted the annual U.S.-Jordan State partnership conference in February at NPS. The event strengthens military cooperation between the two countries. The Colorado national guard is the “sister” state to Jordan and conducts a number of mil-to-mil exchanges with the Jordanian defense force. The conference brought together U.S. officials and their Jordanian counterparts for discussions about way ahead and partnership activities.

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>> Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR)

Mexico (Jan 24 - Feb 4):



Counter-terrorism (CT) Seminar: At the request of the Mexican Army Staff, CCMR conducted a two-week CT seminar, the first in a series of three, in Mexico City, Jan 24 to Feb 4. There were two major themes to the program: 1) roles and missions for the army; and 2) government response to terrorism. Table-top exercises were designed to generate new thinking on army roles, missions, and capabilities in managing the consequences of a chemical attack by terrorists. Similar programs will be provided to other countries in the Latin American region.

DRMI: Defense Resources Management Institute

>> International Defense Management Course :

45 international military officers and civilians from 34 countries are currently attending DRMI's 11-week course on how best to manage limited defense resources, Feb 7-Apr 20. In mid-March, students will travel to Wash D.C. to meet with Pentagon, State Department, White House, and other officials to gain a better understanding how each agency manages its resources as well as discussions on current issues affecting the world—Iraq, Afghanistan, etc.

>> Guinea (Feb 7 – 18):



DRMI instructors (front row) with students in Guinea

A six-person DRMI team was in Conakry to conduct a two-week mobile course, Feb 7-18. 33 participants from five countries—*Guinea, Senegal, Chad, Gabon, Mauritania*—attended the seminar. The President of Guinea's National Assembly and the U.S. ambassador in-country, the Honorable *Jackson MacDonald*, opened the course. The opening ceremony was broadcast on national TV.

>> El Salvador (Feb 21 – Mar 4):

A six-person DRMI team was in San Salvador to present a two-week mobile course to 38 military officers from the MoD (representing all services) and civilians (from several governmental departments), Feb 21-Mar 4. Due to the success of this MET, the El Salvadoran government has requested that the DRMI course be held as an annual event.

>> Publications:

- **Dr. Jim Blandin**, authored a case study titled “Homeland Security” in a recently published book: *Terrorism & Peacekeeping: New Security Challenges*. Book is available at Amazon.com.

>> Regional Security Education Program (RSEP)

- **CARL VINSON Carrier Strike Group**

A four-person RSEP team (*Professors Miller, Robinson, Mr. Steene, RADM(Ret) Loeffler*) was aboard the CARL VINSON as the carrier was enroute to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans, Jan 31-Feb 8. **RDML Bruce Clingan** requested that the RSEP team focus its lectures on Asia Pacific and the Middle East. The RSEP team provided 22 different presentations ranging from the China-

JFCOM Partnership:

The Center for Stabilization and Reconstruction held a meeting on February 16 for all interested NPS instructors for discussions about possible research projects with Joint Forces Command (JFCOM) staff. This was an opportunity for us to showcase our staff and further JFCOM personnel's understand of what we do. As a result, JFCOM is currently determining their project requirements and how NPS can best meet them.

Colombia (March 2 - 5):

Net Assessment Seminar: A three-person CCMR team was in Bogota to deliver a 3-day seminar on net assessment and strategy formulation to **50** senior officers (including new admirals and generals) and civilians (from the executive branch). This was the fifth year in which CCMR delivered a seminar on this theme. Additionally, the team met with various Colombian officials regarding future projects.

Albania (Jan 24 - Feb 4)

Civil-Military Cooperation Workshop: A CCMR team was in Tirana Jan 24-Feb 4 to assist the Albanian armed forces in developing and drafting a civil-military cooperation policy and operations doctrine. This doctrine will assist the country in identifying areas for contribution (such as disaster assistance) and integration with NATO. Additional METs are identified to help finalize the doctrine.

Moldova (Jan 24 – 28)

United Nations Logistics Workshop: At the request of the U.S. Office of Defense Cooperation in Chisinau, CCMR provided a workshop that furthered the MoD's understanding of the roles and responsibilities of UN logistics (as the Moldovans were working on their MoU with the United Nations). A mock negotiation session was held to enable the participants to answer questions that the UN may pose during their MoU negotiations.

IDARM: International Defense Acquisition Resource Mgt

- **In-Residence course: Principles of Defense Acquisition Management (Mar 7 – 18)**

16 international students participated in the IDARM bi-annual resident course, "Principles of Defense Acquisition Management". Participants include: **Jordan, Estonia, Malaysia, Belgium, Poland, Dominican Republic, Chile, Bangladesh, Bulgaria.** This is the first course in which U.S. persons are allowed to participate (a U.S. Navy International Program Office rep attended the course).

- **In-residence course: "Principles of Procurement & Contracting" Mar 21–Apr 1.**

Participating countries include: **Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Belgium, Israel, Slovenia, Turkey and the U.S.**

Taiwan situation to cultural awareness in Middle and Far East liberty ports. Thereafter, the team traveled to Hawaii and briefed **RADM Bill Sullivan** and the staff of COMSUBPAC, Marine Forces Pacific and USPACOM about RSEP activities, Feb 9-10.

National Security Affairs (NSA):

>> India / Pakistan:



NPS professor Dr. Lavoy (3rd from left) at the Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi.

A three-person team from the Center for Contemporary Conflict visited **Pakistan** and **India** in February for discussions with senior officials about their DoD/DoE sponsored research project on the India-Pakistan 2001-2002 military standoff.

In Pakistan, the team met with:

- *Gen. Ehsan ul-Haq*, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee
- *Lt. Gen. Kidwai*, Dir, Strategic Plans Division
- *Lt. Gen. Hamid*, National Defense College.

In India, the group met with:

- *Lt. Gen. Yadav*, Deputy Chief of Army Staff
- *Gen. (Ret.) V. P. Malik*, former Indian Army chief
- Air Chief Marshal (Ret.) *Krishnaswamy*, former head of the Indian Air Force

End result: Both countries agreed to co-organize a workshop in May on the conflict and assist with an international conference at NPS in June 2005.

>> Other News:

Dr. Anne Clunan:

- Represented NPS at a seminar on Complexity Theory and International Security at MITRE Corporation in McLean, VA, Feb 2.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Mobile Education Teams (MET):**

>> **Bosnia** – LDESP MET (Mar 17-20)

>> **Uganda** – Peacekeeping MET (Mar 21-25)

>> **Moldova** – National task list (Mar 28-Apr 1)

>> **Honduras** – Defense resources (Apr 18-30)

>> **Bangladesh** – Defense resources (May 2-12)